

TABERNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TOWER CHIMES

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TAB

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church

OUR MISSION





Tabernacle Presbyterian Church is called by God, led by faith in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to demonstrate the Kingdom of God through worship, discipleship and outreach. Honoring our heritage at 34th and Central, we will faithfully serve our community, city and world in the present and prepare expectantly for the future.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:00a** Communion Service
Located in McKee Chapel
- 9:00a** Contemporary Service
*Connect with God and with one another
in authentic, relational worship in the Sanctuary*
- 10:00a** Christian Education Hour
Programming for all ages
- 11:00a** Traditional Worship
*Located in the Sanctuary featuring organ and
choir music*

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TAB'S TOWER CHIMES

This monthly newsletter is also available on the church website at: www.tabpres.org

All submissions should be emailed to Kristine Seals at frontdesk@tabpres.org. The submission deadline is the 15th of each month for appearance in the upcoming month's Tower Chimes.

Cover photo taken by Dave Streit

Blessed, Blessed Hope

Story by Dave Streit, Director of Media Ministries

Dear Pastor Gable,

There's so much I want to say. Sir, I have listened to you for a very long time. I cannot say I'm a very "religious" person, but so many months ago while flipping through the stations on my little radio here, your Sanctuary Choir was singing on 93 WIBC at 6:30 a.m. Sir, I had never heard anything so beautiful in all of my life...

Up to this point, the weekly staff meeting had been routine - devotional and prayer, ministry reports, and schedule review. It was all good and I was eager to start the next portion of my day, but John Gable wanted to share a letter he recently received.

As you see by my address, I am incarcerated at Pendleton Correctional Facility. Sir, it has been for such a long time...

To be precise, Robert (not his real name) wrote that he had been locked up since 1996. For the next eight handwritten pages (which John did not share with us) the letter recounted the story of how he ended up in prison. Then, Robert stated the reason he was writing.

Sir, I am writing to thank you. From the bottom of my heart, Pastor Gable, thank you. Having lost all my family and all that I own, and now being all alone, I've sat depressed and just heartbroken and crushed for so long. And then, one blessed morning, one blessed morning...

Robert described hearing the choir for the first time on "Sunday with Tab," our weekly radio broadcast on 93.1 FM at 6:30 a.m. The beautiful sound of uplifted voices. The perfect blending and layering. Angelic voices.

I just sat and tears came to my eyes, and then you delivered the message and in the midst of all my depression, it gave me something to look forward to every Sunday morning. I get all set with my Bible out ready to follow along...

Robert reported in great detail on several of his favorite messages, including "Can I Get a Witness," and particularly the testimony of Tab member Michael Jefferies, and John's sermon about Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well.

I'd like to ask if I might come that first Sunday (after his release in 2019) and see and hear your beautiful Sanctuary Choir and your message. I'll have a few dollars gate pay and will stop at a thrift store to get a good shirt...

The next portion of my day suddenly did not seem so important. As I listened to Robert's letter, I felt gratitude to God for being able to play a part in media outreach. I'm grateful for the volunteers who record the services each week, for all who make Sunday morning worship so meaningful, inspiring and beautiful, and for the financial and prayer support of the congregation.

From my heart, Pastor Gable, thank you, sir. Thank you for your "Sunday with Tab," for in all my depression it restored my heart and gave me...and gives me hope. Blessed, blessed hope.

John stopped reading and there was silence around the staff table. I was not so eager to leave the meeting.

I have to be honest with you. There are times I wonder if anyone is listening. Radio - it seems so old-fashioned. Yet, I've seen the numbers and we do get thousands of people tuning in each week, and that's wonderful. We get a few notes and messages from listeners who make "Sunday with Tab" their morning routine. That's always gratifying to hear. And I'm continually surprised at how many new members whose first encounter with Tab was on the radio.

And yet, I know God's word "does not return void," but still, there's something about the impersonal nature of broadcasting that makes me feel like we're speaking into an empty space, into the darkness.

Well, you know what? We *are* speaking into the darkness.

And Robert is sitting there, ready to hear.

January 2018

Preaching Schedule

- 7** Rev. Oscar Clavel, preaching
- 14** "Called to Serve"
Isaiah 42:1-9
Romans 1:1-7
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 21** "First Things First"
Revelation 2:1-7
Romans 1:8-15
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 28** "A Glossary of Faith"
I Timothy 4:6-16
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching

Weekly Bible Readings

- 7** Genesis 1:1-5
Psalm 29
Acts 19:1-7
Mark 1:4-11
- 14** 1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20)
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
1 Corinthians 6:12-20
John 1:43-51
- 21** Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Psalm 62:5-12
1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20
- 28** Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Psalm 111
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Mark 1:21-28

January Event Schedule

SPECIAL

- 1** Church Offices Closed
- 5** 5:00p Youth Lock-In & Sledding
- 6** 7:00p Anderson University
- 11** Concert
- 15** 6:00p MLK Day Observance -
Church Closed
11:00a Preteen Lunch Out
- 16** 6:30p Elder Training
- 19** 7:00p C. S. Lewis Meeting
- 20** 8:00a Session Retreat
- 22** 7:00p Recreation Committee
- 27** 5:30p Family Fun Night
- 31** 6:30p Mapleton/Fall Creek
Children's Arts Meeting

WEEKLY

- SUN** 5:00p IMPACT Youth Group
- MON** 6:30p Cub Scout Pack
6:30p Women's Bible Study
6:45p Boy Scout Troop 72
- TUE** 10:00a Women Alive
6:30p Prayer Ministry
- WED** 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study
12:30p Arts Academy Lessons
5:00p Contemporary Worship
Rehearsal
6:00p Purls of Wisdom
6:00p Wednesdays@Tab Dinner
6:30p Wednesdays@Tab
- THU** 3:45p Tab Tutoring
6:00p Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:15p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- FRI** 7:00p Circle of Hope
- SAT** 8:00a Men's Bible Study
- MWF** 11:00a Tab's Open Door

MONTHLY

- 1st **TUE** 7:00p Adult Ministries
- 2nd **MON** 5:00p HR Committee
5:30p Facilities Committee
- 2nd **TUE** 5:00p Budget & Finance
5:30p Missions Committee
7:00p Children's Ministries
7:15p Worship, Music & Arts
- 3rd **TUE** 7:00p Session Meeting
7:15p Prayer Team Meeting
- 4th **TUE** 5:30p Congregational Life
7:00p Deacons' Meeting
7:00p Media Committee
- 2nd **WED** 10:30a Ladies Quilting Group
- 4th **WED** 10:00a Ladies Quilting Group
- 2nd **SAT** 10:00a Purls of Wisdom
- 4th **SAT** 10:00a Purls of Wisdom

Please visit tabpres.org for a complete calendar of events.

2018

CHORALE

ANDERSON UNIVERSITY

RICHARD SOWERS, *CONDUCTOR*



Saturday, January 6 | 7:00 pm

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ANDERSON UNIVERSITY

School of Music, Theatre, and Dance

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2018 TAB RECREATION SPORT PROGRAMS

SPORTS	START DATE	END DATE	AGES OR GRADES	FEE
Basketball Academy	Mid-February	Mid-March	Grades 1-6	\$40
Spring Soccer	April 14	June 16	Ages 4-12	\$30 or \$45
Flag Football	April 14	June 16	Ages 4-12	\$30
High School Friday Night Lights	May 4	May 24	Grades 9-12	FREE
Tackle Football	June 23	October 20	Ages 7-12	TBD
Cheerleading	July 9	October 20	Ages 6-12	TBD
Fall Soccer	Mid-August	Mid-October	Ages 4-12	\$30 or \$45
Basketball	Late October	Mid-February	Grades Pre-K to 6th	\$30 or \$45

Basketball Academy: Players will meet three times a week for four weeks on Monday/Wednesday/Saturday or Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday. *(Note: both will not be offered)*. Focus is on teaching fundamentals of basketball through drills and demonstrating what you learn each Saturday during scrimmage. This program is conducted by James Turner.

Soccer: Soccer consists of four divisions: ages 4-6; ages 7-8; ages 9-10; and ages 11-12. Practices are on Tuesdays from 6:00 p.m.-7:15 p.m. and games are on Saturday morning (historically). Fees are based on jersey needs. If you are reusing a reversible Tab soccer jersey (navy/white) from a previous year the program fee is \$30. If a jersey is needed, the fee is \$45 (after purchasing a jersey, the jersey can be reused until the player outgrows the jersey).

Flag Football: The program consists of three divisions: ages 6-8; ages 9 and 10; and ages 11-12. This program uses the NFL Flag Football format (fee includes a NFL flag football jersey and flags).

High School Friday Night Lights: This program is for skilled players from area high schools that self-form their own teams for an evening of flag football. The program is offered every Friday night in May. Chalk talks with local businessman, NFL, College and faith-based leaders help set the tone for the night of competitive flag football games.

Tackle Football: This program consists of three divisions: ages 7 and 8; ages 9 and 10; and ages 11 and 12. Players will practice two or three times per week prior to the start of games. After games start, two practices a week will be the norm. Games are normally played on Saturdays at 1-3 different locations in Indianapolis.

Cheerleading: This program is for cheerleaders ages 6-12. Squads will practice two times per week and cheer for a select team on Saturdays.

Basketball: This program consists of four divisions: Pre-K to K; 1st and 2nd grades; 3rd and 4th grades; and 5th and 6th grades. Practices are on weekdays (either 6:00 p.m.-7:15 p.m. or 6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m.) and games are on Saturdays. Fees are based on jersey needs; if you are reusing a reversible Tab basketball jersey (royal/white) from a previous year the program fee is \$30. If a jersey is needed, the fee is \$45 (after purchasing a jersey, the jersey can be reused until the player outgrows the jersey).

Online Registration: Go to tabrecreation.org and click on the register button located at the top right of the HOME page.

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church Officers

Class of 2018	Class of 2019	Class of 2020
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Tab News

Announcements & Events

NEW YEAR'S DAY SUNDAY SERVICE

Join us for worship on Sunday, January 1, New Year's Day at 10:00a. There will be no Education Hour that day.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, January 1, for the New Year's Day holiday. Have a safe and blessed New Year! The church will also be closed on Monday, January 15, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A GOOD BOOK TO READ?

If you are looking for a good book to read during the Christmas break, let us suggest the Book of Romans. In January, our pastors will begin a sermon series walking us through Paul's letter to the Romans, so it might be helpful to get a jump start on your reading. Romans is considered Paul's last and most comprehensive letter as he explains the Christian faith and his theology to the church in Rome (a church he did not start) in anticipation of his visit there. His writing is clearly stated but can become a little "thick" in some places, so a "pre-read" of his letter might be helpful. We look forward to studying this important letter together!

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

Please join us in worship on Sunday, January 14, as we ordain and install new elders and deacons. Please also remember to keep these leaders of our church in your thoughts and prayers.

SESSION RETREAT: SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

Please pray for our Elders and pastors as they engage in the Session retreat on Saturday, January 20, in the Parlor. According to the governance of the Presbyterian Church, the elders are charged with overseeing every aspect of the life of the congregation. Please pray for our elders and pastors and staff as they lead us in the new year.

MISSION UNIT KICKS OFF

It's time for all Tab elementary students to begin their "trip around the world" during this year's Missions Unit. On January 7, we will prepare for our journey by making passports and name pins, decorating our travel bags, and learning a bit about the steps involved in becoming a missionary. Then on January 14, and continuing through February 25, we will be visiting a new country each week to learn about the geography, culture, religious practices, and Christian mission efforts of that country. This year's countries include Russia, Cuba, Madagascar, Egypt, Wales, Indonesia, and Neighborhood Ministries in Arizona.

PRETEEN "LUNCH AND A MOVIE"

On Monday, January 15, all Tab fifth and sixth graders are invited to join us for our traditional Martin Luther King Day outing. We will go out together for lunch, and then head to Castleton for a movie. Cost is \$5 per student. Please let Mrs. Wirt know if you're going on the trip by January 12 to ensure that there are enough drivers. Contact: jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org or 923-5458, ext. 140

HISTORY IN THE MOVIES

On Wednesdays January 17-February 28, we will view and discuss the role of faith and the church in important black history moments. This film series will end on February 28,

with a soul food dinner and small group discussions about the film series. If you plan to attend any or all of the film series, contact Paula Means at 923-5458, ext. 130 or paula.means@tabpres.org.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

On Saturday, January 27, beginning at 5:30p, Children's Ministries will host a Family Fun Night for the entire Tab family. We'll have a pitch-in dinner, followed by board games, Euchre, and a family-friendly recent movie on the Gallery "big screen." Children's Ministries will provide the main dish and beverages, so please bring a side dish or dessert to share. No reservations are needed. Childcare will be available after dinner for children younger than five.

COUNTDOWN TO THE CROSS CLASS

Join us on Sunday mornings at 9:00a in the Resource Center January 7-March 25. On the evening before the Crucifixion, Jesus set His public ministry behind Him and reclined at supper with His chosen disciples. We will study chapters 13 through 17 of the Gospel of John which record His weighty and important "final words" to the people who would carry His gospel to the ends of the earth.

A FRESH LOOK AT GENESIS

Join us in the Parlor on Sundays at 10:00a, beginning January 7. For the first class of our six-week series, we will look at the first chapter of Genesis (which of course, means beginnings). But more than that, it stands for the most significant part of the whole; the principle and foundation. Use this to define your new year and see how this text can influence you. It bursts forth with an extraordinary premise and affirmation. Mark John will lead this class.

MONDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join us in the Parlor on Mondays at 6:00p, January 29-March 26. *Women and Identity* examines the Biblical narratives of women like Sarai, Ruth, Hannah, Puah, Shiphrah, Mary and Elizabeth as they maneuver their way through challenges such as slavery, infertility, gendercide, polygamy, death and poverty. These studies will consider the implications of their responses on the cultural pressures women face today. Contact Elizabeth Hamilton at 519-8449 or eghamilton@sbcglobal.net prior to Monday, January 29, for a study guide.

STRONGER COMMUNITY

We have committed to God, ourselves and the Mapleton-Fall Creek neighborhood, that Tab will do all it can to strengthen the community where we reside. To accomplish this goal will require innovative, energetic, creative and strong leadership. Some of that leadership can be found among the members of Tab. If you have an interest in serving as a board member for one of the several non-profit organizations in the neighborhood, please contact Paula Means at 923-5458, ext. 130 or paula.means@tabpres.org.

FLOWER DONATIONS

Each Sunday morning our chancel area is made more beautiful by flower donations given "In honor of" or "In memory of" a loved one or special event. If you would like to donate flowers please contact Linda Fledderjohn at fledder@comcast.net or 841-8007.

January 2018

Read Through the Bible

1	Luke 5:27-39	Genesis 1-2	Psalms 1
2	Luke 6:1-26	Genesis 3-5	Psalms 2
3	Luke 6:27-49	Genesis 6-7	Psalms 3
4	Luke 7:1-17	Genesis 8-10	Psalms 4
5	Luke 7:18-50	Genesis 11	Psalms 5
6	Luke 8:1-25	Genesis 12	Psalms 6
7	Luke 8:26-56	Genesis 13-14	Psalms 7
8	Luke 9:1-27	Genesis 15	Psalms 8
9	Luke 9:28-62	Genesis 16	Psalms 9
10	Luke 10:1-20	Genesis 17	Psalms 10
11	Luke 10:21-42	Genesis 18	Psalms 11
12	Luke 11:1-28	Genesis 19	Psalms 12
13	Luke 11:29-54	Genesis 20	Psalms 13
14	Luke 12:1-31	Genesis 21	Psalms 14
15	Luke 12:32-59	Genesis 22	Psalms 15
16	Luke 13:1-17	Genesis 23	Psalms 16
17	Luke 13:18-35	Genesis 24	Psalms 17
18	Luke 14:1-24	Genesis 25	Psalms 18
19	Luke 14:25-35	Genesis 26	Psalms 19
20	Luke 15	Genesis 27:1-45	Psalms 20
21	Luke 16	Genesis 27:46-28:22	Psalms 21
22	Luke 17	Genesis 29:1-30	Psalms 22
23	Luke 18:1-17	Genesis 29:31-30:43	Psalms 23
24	Luke 18:18-43	Genesis 31	Psalms 24
25	Luke 19:1-27	Genesis 32-33	Psalms 25
26	Luke 19:28-48	Genesis 34	Psalms 26
27	Luke 20:1-26	Genesis 35-36	Psalms 27
28	Luke 20:27-47	Genesis 37	Psalms 28
29	Luke 21	Genesis 38	Psalms 29
30	Luke 22:1-38	Genesis 39	Psalms 30
31	Luke 22:39-71	Genesis 40	Psalms 31

ADOPTION CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Matt and Christine Gall on the adoption of their son, Maxwell David Gall, on Thursday, December 21, 2017. He joins big brothers Sam and Drew. Our church family rejoices with the Gall family as they welcome their new son!

WELCOME LITTLE ONE

We are delighted to announce the arrival of Asher Russell Heaton, born on Monday, December 11. He's the new baby son of Brad and Dana (Brunette) Heaton, and the grandson of Dan and Betsy Brunette. Congratulations to the family!

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

The Tab Church family extends our sympathies to Mike and Betsy Terry and family in the passing of Mike's older brother, David, who died on November 27 in Providence, Rhode Island; and to the family of Elizabeth "Betty" Brock who passed away on November 25. Betty was 97 years old and had been a member of Tab since 1994. Please keep these families in your prayers.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Income:

YTD budgeted income:	\$1,694,534
YTD actual income:	\$1,722,491
Income exceeds budget by:	\$27,957

Expenses:

YTD budgeted expenses:	\$1,890,938
YTD actual expenses:	\$1,811,627
Expenses under budget by:	\$79,311

We thank you for your commitment to God's work here at Tab!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January

- 1 Ruth McDonald
- 2 Rose Pittman
Kathy Brown-Mayes
Rob Springer
- 3 Jeanne Moosey
Holly Cates
Kerry Mitchell
Jude Daymon
- 4 Brian Russell
- 5 Janet Hohlt
- 6 Kathy Fowles
- 7 Dennis Johnson
Stella Fowles
Stephanie Verbarg
- 8 Dave Mills
Mike Terry
Annette Ireland
Lainey Meils



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! (CONT'D)

January

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|----|---|----|--|
| 10 | Barbara Babcock
Kathy Gunn | | Tate Turman
DuWayne Hintz |
| 11 | John Byers
Lucas Meils
Catherine Weaver
Timothy Burton
Camille Cantwell | 18 | Matt Gall
Rod Lanum |
| 12 | Ellie Morse
Jami Turman
Heather Luzader | 19 | Dick Hall |
| 13 | Erica Koehring | 20 | Michael Jefferies
Kathy Williams |
| 14 | Caroline Gilroy
Don Douglass
Clay Hanley
Bethany Chatelain | 21 | Eric Herzog
Charles Packer |
| 15 | John Keller
Libby Pike | 23 | Julie Hudson
Ryan West
Will Hobbs |
| 16 | Jasmine Townsend
Fritz Blum
Dennis Scamihorn
Weber Morse | 25 | Larry Tovsky
Joshua Kupke
Kathy Dickerman |
| 17 | Marshall McKenna
Jeanne Spellman | 26 | Craig Costlow
Don Heitman |
| | | 27 | Debbie Harker
Heather Miller
Andrew Hamilton
Sarah Malito
Tom Ahearn |
| | | 28 | Brenda Huston |
| | | 30 | Susannah Birk |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

January

- 4 Eric & Lucy Kropp (15 years)
- 9 Jonathan & Jennifer Russell (8 years)
- 15 John & Jackie Wimsatt (7 years)
- 17 Randy & Jacquie Green (15 years)
- 28 Eric & Anne Lange (6 years)

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